

Bochran Grange, Threshing Barn
U.S. Route 301, 1 mile west of
Middletown and Route 71
Middletown Vicinity
New Castle County
Delaware

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Delaware	COUNTY New Castle	TOWN OR VICINITY St. Georges Hundred Middletown vicinity
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Cochran Grange, Threshing Barn (Beers, <u>Atlas</u> , 1868)		HABS NO. DE-208-C
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Route 301 (south side) approximately 1 mile west of Middletown and routes 301 & 71.		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1834 (oral history; construction)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The Cochran Grange threshing barn is the only one of its type known to survive or even to have been constructed in 19th-century New Castle County. The specific purpose of the building and its frame construction add to its overall importance.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Braced frame on rubble fieldstone footings. The interior is composed of multiple structural bays creating an arcade like appearance.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) see measured drawings.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Vertical board siding; horizontally sliding board-and-batten window shutters set in wood tracks; full length machine and cart shed (rebuilt) located along full length of west elevation.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Open floor plan with two primary entries in west elevation; interior framing bents double braced with paired arch braces; east and west walls connected by single tie beam at plate height; earthen floor with ramps leading down into partially excavated southern bays.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES West elevation wagon shed rebuilt mid to late 19th century		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE excellent; machine shed and hay barn		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) D.G. Beers, <u>Atlas of the State of Delaware</u> , 1868. National Register of Historic Places Delaware Rural History Project		
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